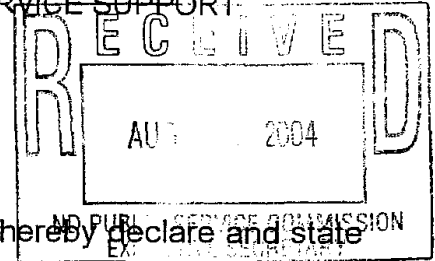


BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Walsh)



David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Polar Telecommunications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2005, and for all quarters thereafter.

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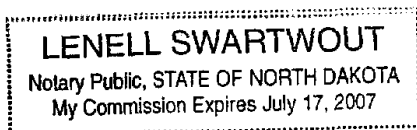
Dated this 9th day of August, 2004.


POLAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By 
David L. Dunning
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Walsh)

On this 9th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVID L. DUNNING, known to me to be the Manager of POLAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

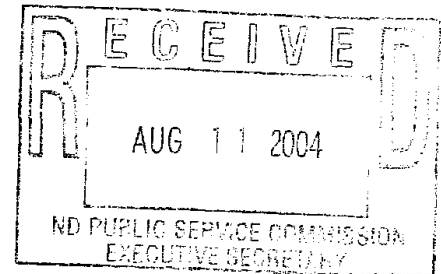



_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: July 17, 2007



August 9, 2004

North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol, 12th Floor
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480



RE: USF Certification – Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

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Sincerely,

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David L. Dunning
Executive Vice President

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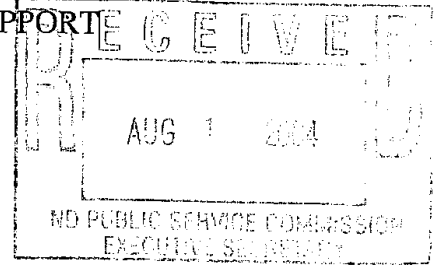
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08/11/2004

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AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR TELCOM, INC. REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF
FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT



State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Walsh)

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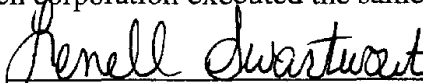
POLAR TELCOM, INC.

By 
David L. Dunning
Executive Vice President

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Walsh)

On this 9th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared David L. Dunning, known to me to be the General Manager of POLAR TELCOM, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

LENELL SWARTWOUT
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires July 17, 2007

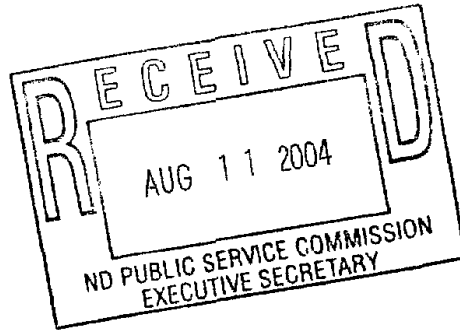

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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: USF Certification – Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed for filing in accordance with the Commission's Order of August 28, 2002, in the above-referenced proceeding, is an Affidavit certifying that all universal service support will only be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. In making this filing, the undersigned company is at this time neither contesting nor conceding the jurisdiction of the North Dakota Public Service Commission to act in this proceeding.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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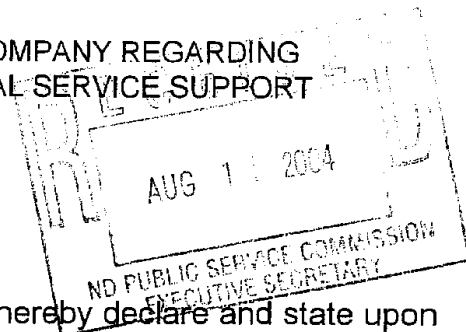
Dave Dircks,
General Manager
NDTC

Enclosure

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Ramsey)



Dave Dircks, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

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Dated this 10th day of August, 2004.

NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY

By

Dave Dircks

Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Ramsey)

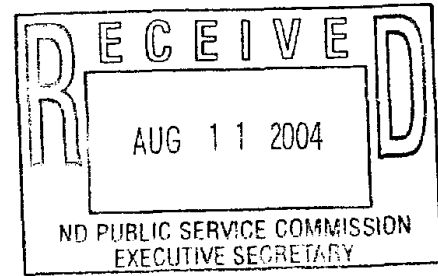
On this 10th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVE DIRCKS, known to me to be the Manager of NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Shawna M. Senger
Ramsey County, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: Feb 3, 2010

Shawna M. Senger
Notary Public, State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires February 3, 2010



August 6, 2004



North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol 12th Floor
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: USF Certification – Case Nos. **PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441**
Dakota Central Telecommunication Cooperative
Dakota Central Telecom I

Dear Sir:

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Sincerely,

Keith Larson, General Manager
Dakota Central Telecommunication Cooperative
Dakota Central Telecom I

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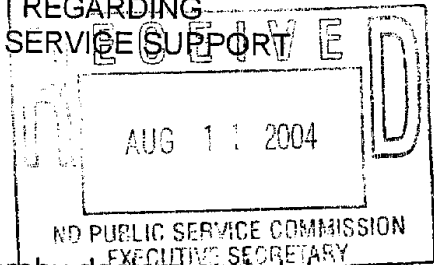
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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)



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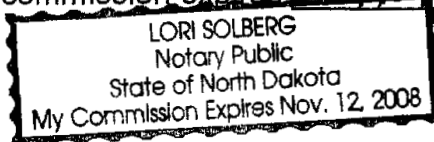
DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I

By Keith A. Larson
Keith Larson
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

On this 6th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH LARSON, known to me to be the Manager of DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

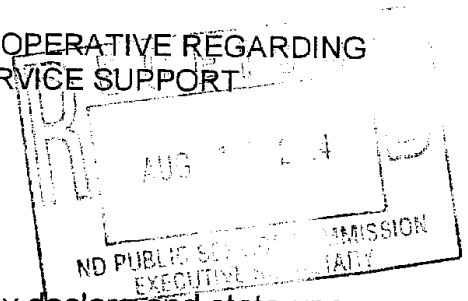
Lori Solberg
_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 11/12/08



BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)



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DAKOTA CENTRAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

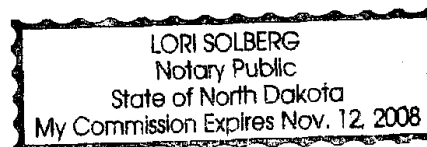
By Keith A. Larson
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Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

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Lori Solberg

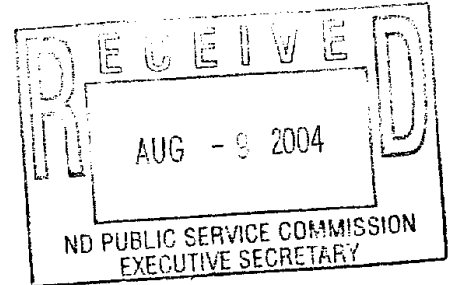
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For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 11/12/08





West River Telecom

August 6, 2004



ND Public Service Commission
State Capitol - 12th Floor
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: USF Certification - Case Nos. PU-439-01-460 & PU-439-02-441

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Sincerely,

Albert Grosz
CEO/General Manager

AG/co
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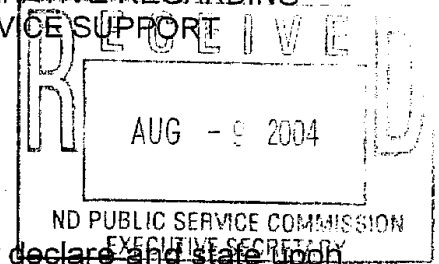
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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mercer)



Albert R. Grosz, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon
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Dated this 6TH day of August, 2004.

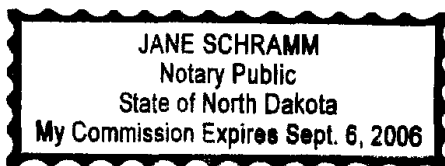
WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS
COOPERATIVE

By *Albert R. Grosz*
Albert R. Grosz
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mercer)

On this 6th day of August, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared ALBERT R. GROSZ, known to me to be the Manager of WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Jane Schramm
Jane Schramm, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 9/06/06






JAMES VALLEY


TELECOMMUNICATIONS

AFFIDAVIT

As an authorized representative of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, I, James Groft hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, with respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as high-cost loop support, local switching support, safety net additive support, and/or safety valve support and hereby affirm that any such support amounts received by James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).


James Groft

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 3rd day of August 2004.


NOTARY PUBLIC

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by James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company

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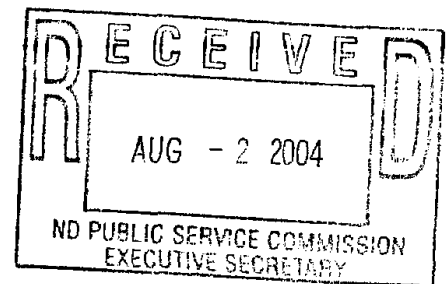
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July 30, 2004
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: USF Certification – Case No. PU-439-02-441

Gentlemen:



Enclosed for filing in accordance with the Commission's Order of August 28, 2001 in the above-referenced proceeding, is an affidavit certifying that all universal service support will only be used for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. In making this filing, the undersigned company is at this time neither contesting nor conceding the jurisdiction of the North Dakota Public Service Commission to act in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerome Tishmack".

Jerome Tishmack, General Manager
BEK Communications Cooperative

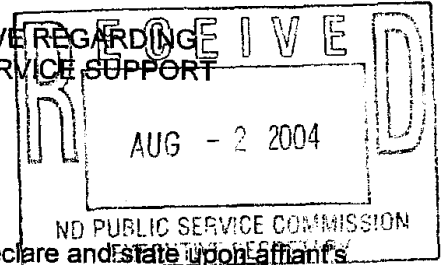
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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)



Jerome Tishmack, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon Affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by BEK Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of CEO/Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.7. The company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2005, and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2005 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 30th day of ~~August~~ ^{July}, 2004.

BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

BY: Jerome Tishmack

Jerome Tishmack
Its: CEO/Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)

On this 30 day of ~~August~~ ^{July}, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared JEROME TISHMACK, known to me to be the CEO/Manager of BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Verlyn R. Nelson

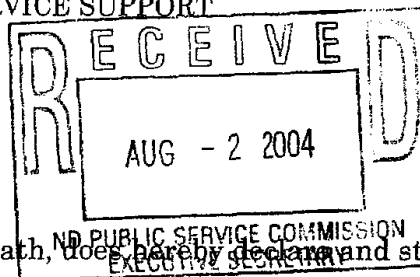
Kidder County Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires: November 24, 2009

VERLYN R. NELSON
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires NOV. 24, 2004

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF LORETEL SYSTEMS, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF
FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of Minnesota)
) ss.
County of Norman)



Steven W. Katka, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon
affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Loretel Systems, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager
2. The company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support"), pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2004 and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2004 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (1) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency

signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

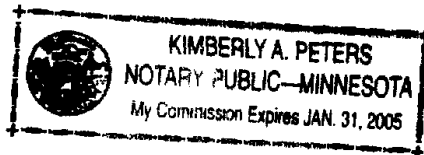
Dated this 30th day of July, 2004

LORETEL SYSTEMS, INC.

By Steven W. Katka
Steven W. Katka
Its: General Manager

State of Minnesota)
) ss.
County of Norman)

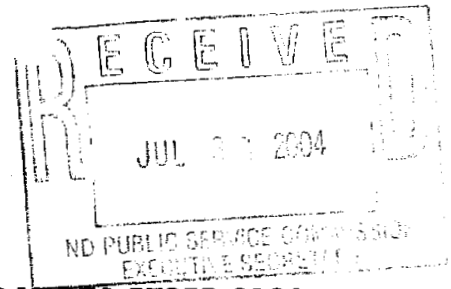
On this 30th day of July, 2004 before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Steven W. Katka, known to me to be the General Manager of Loretel Systems, Inc., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



Kimberly A. Peters
Notary Public
For the State of Minnesota
My commission expires: 1/31/05

RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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July 27, 2004

Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco
Executive Secretary
Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
Bismark, North Dakota 58505-0480

RE: Universal Service Support Certification

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Enclosed for filing in accordance with the Commission's Order is an affidavit certifying that all universal service support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. In making this filing, the undersigned company is at this time neither contesting nor conceding the jurisdiction of the North Dakota Public Service Commission to act in this proceeding.

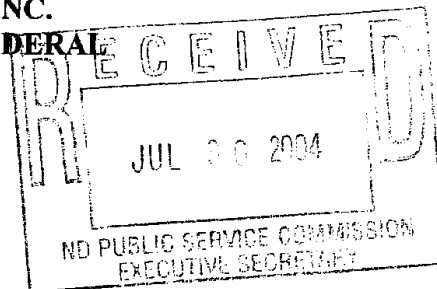
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela Harrington".

Pamela Harrington
General Manager
RC Communications, Inc.

Enclosure

**AFFIDAVIT OF RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ROBERTS)

Pamela Harrington, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by RC Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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(h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

DATED this 28th day of July 2004.

RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: Pamela Harrington
General Manager

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF ROBERTS)

On this 28th day of July 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared PAMELA HARRINGTON, known to me to be the General Manager of RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Marie Yeat
Notary Public

My commission expires: August 18, 2004